SMALL BUSINESS WEEK, 2002–CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, May 6

SESSION 1: Lenders Appreciation & Hall of Fame Kick-off Networking Breakfast Join us in expressing appreciation to the financial institutions that support small business in our community. Meet and honor this year's Hall of Fame inductee, Dr. Raymond L. Hilgert, Washington University

7:30 - 9:00 a.m. PLACE

Orlando Gardens - Dorsett Shopping Village

Dorsett at McKelvey, Maryland Heights

COST: 517

SPONSOR: First International Bank

Eastern Missouri Association of Government

Guaranteed Lenders

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SESSION 2: NAWBO After-Hours Cocktail Party Network with women business owners. Enjoy an evening of food and fun as we honor NAWBO's Partner and Member of the Year.

5:30 - 8:00 p.m. PLACE:

St. Louis Zoo, River's Edge, McDonnell Center,

Forest Park

SPONSOR: NAWBO-St. Louis

314/644-6336 or 314/746-WEEK

Tuesday, May 7

SESSION 3: Home-based Small Business Breakfast The electronic age has created even more opportunities for home-based businesses. Make new contacts and share tips for success and survival.

9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

PLACE: Junior League of St. Louis - 10435 Clayton Rd.

(just west of Lindbergh)

COST:

SPONSOR: St. Louis Community College Continuing Ed.

Various St. Louis Area Chambers of Commerce

314-741-6411 or 314/746-WEEK

SESSION 4: Collegiate and Young

Entrepreneur Luncheon

Celebrate tomorrow's business leaders among undergraduate students enrolled in Missouri colleges, universities and post-secondary institutions. Many of them have started businesses while still managing a coarse-load! This year's Young Entrepreneur, selected by SBA, will also be recognized.

PLACE: Xavier Ballroom, St. Frances Xavier Church,

St. Louis University, 3628 Lindell Boulevard

SPONSOR: St. Louis University

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Wednesday, May 8

SESSION 5: Chinese Economy 2002 and Beyond Conference will be on the economic situation in China as it exists in May of 2002 and in the near future. The conference will feature a 'lead-off' speaker and a luncheon speaker talking about the Chinese economy and expectations for FY '02 and the future. There will be breakout sessions on: distributions/marketing; investments in China; financial and legal aspects of doing business there; and communication and cultural considerations. Local companies doing business in China will be available to answer questions.

TIME 8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

PLACE University of Missouri-St. Louis,

Millenium Center

COST: Call for cost and directions

John Blum 314/425-3304, ext. 228 BSVP:

Margaret Gottlieb, 314/425-3302, ext. 235

SESSION 6: Salute to Minority Business Luncheon Outstanding minority and women entrepreneurs share their expertise for succeeding in a competitive business

TIME-

PLACE-Missouri Athletic Club - 405 Washington Ave.

COST:

SPONSOR: Bank of America

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RSVP:

SESSION 7: U.S. Bank Business After-Hours Celebrate Small Business Week by networking with business owners and supporters. Mix and mingle with accountants, bankers, attorneys, entrepreneurs, and other supporters of small business

TIME

5:00 – 7:00 p.m. University Club, 21st Floor – 1034 S. Brentwood PLACE

COST: FREE

SPONSOR: U.S. Bank

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Thursday, May 9

SESSION 8: IRS Workshop

Learn about current tax laws of special interest to small business owners. Do it right the first time by understanding the various types of entities, record keeping requirements, regulations for business use of home, depreciation, and federal tax requirements.

TIME-8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon

PLACE St. Louis Enterprise Center SBDC

315 Lemay Ferry Road

COST-FREE

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